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**AUTHORIZATION TO CONDUCT STREAM ALTERATION ACTIVITIES**

Pursuant to Section C.2.2 of the VT Stream Alteration General Permit (Reporting activities not requiring an application)

Project Number: **SA-07-050-2015**Watercourse: **Tributary of Mettawee River**Applicant Name: **Steve Jones – Mettawee Mill Nursery Inc**Email: **steve@mmnvt.com**Mailing Address: **PO Box 7, Dorset, Vermont 05251**Phone: **(802) 325-3007 / (802) 558-3623**Project Location: **4977 Rte 30 (pond south of parking lot)**Lat/Lon: **N 43.2699 W 73.1198**

The Secretary of the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources (VT ANR) has determined that:

1. This project authorizes under **Section C.2.2.1, the removal of accumulated sediments from the instream pond. Stop logs in the concrete dam will be used to regulate discharge and water level within the pond to prevent turbid discharge during activities, excavated material will be stored away from pond in an upland area.**
2. The proposed activity is eligible for coverage under the VT ANR Stream Alteration General Permit.
3. The proposed activity will meet the terms and conditions of the General Permit provided:
  - a) The project will be completed and approved **as shown on the sketch prepared by VTANR (dated 11/24/2015)** and approved by the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources.
  - b) The project will not adversely affect the public safety by increasing flood hazards.
  - c) The project will not significantly damage fish life or wildlife.
  - d) The project will not significantly damage the rights of riparian owners.
  - e) The project will not obstruct the movement of aquatic life indigenous to the waterbody beyond the actual duration of construction.
  - f) The project is conducted in a manner which minimizes or avoids any discharge of sediment or other pollutants to surface waters in violation of the VT Water Quality Standards.
  - g) The ANR River Management Engineer is notified by phone or email when construction begins and is completed.
  - h) As normal in-stream working dates for all GP activities are from July 1<sup>st</sup> through October 1<sup>st</sup>, for this project the applicant must contact the RME at least 24 hours prior to commencing activities to schedule field inspections.**
  - i) This authorization has been posted for three days public comment. This authorization constitutes final approval.

If there are any changes in the project plan or deviation in construction from the approved plans, the Permittee must notify the ANR River Management Engineer immediately via phone (802) 490-6163 or email [joshua.carvaial@state.vt.us](mailto:joshua.carvaial@state.vt.us).

*If the project is constructed as you have described, as shown on the above referenced approved plans and according to the above conditions, there is no reason to expect any violation of Vermont Water Quality Standards.*

**Signed this 25<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2015****This permit expires on December 15, 2015.**

David K. Mears, Commissioner

Department of Environmental Conservation

by:   
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